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THE ELECTION IN HARTFORD

MAYOR CHENEY is declared re-elected in Hartford, but the result is in dispute. The Democrats assert that a machine in one of the wards failed to work properly, with the result that 100 Democratic votes cast for Representative Joseph Lawler were not recorded. If this claim is sustained Mr. Lawler's plurality would be 36. Mayor Cheney's prima facie plurality is 64. Whether Mr. Lawler is or is not elected, he has proved himself a strong candidate, for Hartford is normally a Republican city by a very substantial majority.

MODERN "EFFICIENCY."

EVERY PERIOD, every year, has its own pet watchword. "Efficiency" is the slogan now. Few periodicals and few public speakers feel their arguments in tune with the key-note of the times unless they dwell on this word.

In New York city for the past week, they have been holding an "Efficiency exposition." Every one that has a machine or a device by which to systematize and eliminate work is there in his little booth, arguing, gesticulating, demonstrating. The question sometimes arises if the machine or the system does not create more work than it saves.

"Efficiency" is not wholly a new word. Any man who ever worked at a trade will recall many arguments between old time workmen as to the most efficient methods. Certain methods were always handed down as the most efficient. But there was always a debatable borderland. A roomful of workmen would waste the boss' time, while they were arguing which of two methods was the more efficient.

There is now a tendency to hold oneself down, and to hold others down, to certain fixed standards of production. The old time workman sat down to his bench with a comfortably indefinite idea of the amount of work that he was going to turn out. He disliked the fettering grasp of timetables. He often stopped to play by the wayside. If a neighbor dropped in, they began to talk politics. If the day's work did not show up well at 6 p. m., he consoled himself by thinking that there had been unusual difficulties to surmount.

Now well conducted newspapers have a certain hour at which every page must go to press. The factory employe has a normal standard production. The good business man consults his timetable hourly. It all involves nervous strain. But it is a part of the great industrial advance, by which larger comforts of life and more play-time are being secured.

CLOTHES AND THE TAX.

A CLERK in the Chicago internal revenue office remarked, on the day that the last income tax returns were brought in, that as a general thing, the shabbier clothes people wore, the bigger a return they handed in. Perhaps he exaggerated. Yet men came in who did not look as if they could sign a check for three figures, yet they showed up property worth millions.

This converse relation of clothes and prosperity is noticed in all stages of society. Savings bank officials, particularly those dealing with recent immigrants, bear similar testimony. A Pole or Hungarian creeps humbly into the bank, as if he doubted his right to stand on its marble slabs in the presence of free born and lordly Americans. An inexperienced clerk might feel like setting a dog on him as a tramp.

Lo and behold, he pulls out a greasy but protruding wallet, and begins to count out the fives and tens, all soiled and redolent of long repose in his perspiring pocket. When the "wad" is complete, it is several times as much as the fashion plate five o'clock tea clerk behind the counter could produce.

In business life good clothes are the badge of hope and ambition. A well creased pair of trousers gives a man a sense of confidence. Well fitting and cared for clothes suggest both past success and habits of attention to detail that cannot fail to impress a stranger favorably.

Once the big golden goal of wealth is reached, the character often tends to soften. A man rises later in the morning and abates his habits of industry. Also the minor amenities of life may begin to look formidable. Brushing off dust and polishing boots and scrupulous cleanliness may seem like an effort. Man is at his best in many ways in his days of struggle and toil.

A comfortable house may be built in Japan for two dollars. It is stated. But it takes as long for the poor Jap to lay up two dollars as it does for his brother Yankee to lay up two thousand, so, what's the use?

The author of the "sentiment" "in union there is strength" must have received his inspiration while watching a pot of mixed cabbage, turnips and onions when it was at the boiling point.

EDUCATION FOR THE MANY AND FOR THOSE UNUSUALLY TALENTED

PUBLIC EDUCATION should seek two great ends. First to equip the great mass of average boys and girls with such knowledge as will make them proper citizens of a great democracy.

Second, to exercise a selective power by which the specially endowed may be directed toward pursuits which will make them more useful to society.

Civilization gets ITS SOLIDITY from the body of average men and women.

It gets its PROGRESS through the efforts of exceptional men and women.

Education should find and develop these exceptional men and women. This work is second in importance only to the work of equipping average men and women with those things necessary to a sound, useful and happy life.

The present high school course is a relic of antiquity. With its thousands of hours devoted to Latin and Greek, it represents the culture of the ancients.

Improvement may come in many ways, but especially in two ways.

Both courses should be made over, until they are more consonance with the facts of modern life.

There should be a means of determining in the grammar schools children of exceptional gifts, with the view that their future shall be directed toward the channels for which nature has adapted them.

One Edison, The Farmer has repeatedly said, may enrich the world with things adequate to repay the cost of educating everybody for a generation.

It will be urged that many of those of exceptional gifts have not enjoyed the advantages of an education and this is true, but it proves nothing.

Wild fruit is mostly small and bitter, though an occasional tree may yield good fruit.

BUT IF MANY TREES BE SELECTED AND GIVEN THE SAME CULTURE THEY WILL ALL BEAR GOOD FRUIT.

THE RESULT OF YESTERDAY'S ELECTIONS IN UNITED STATES

A NUMBER of elections were held in various parts of the United States, yesterday, in which some interesting, unique and important questions were determined. Much interest attached to the special congressional election in the Seventh New Jersey District, where a drive had been made against James J. Byrne, Democrat, with the purpose of discrediting President Wilson's canal policy. Byrne was defeated by Dow H. Drukker, Republican, who had 10,620 votes to Byrne's 5,420. Nevertheless there is serious doubt if the president's policy was much accountable for the result. The district had recently been made over to give a Republican plurality, the Socialists made heavy gains, largely from Democratic forces, and a tremendous drive was made against Byrne. The District had been carried by the late Congressman Bremner, Democrat, who was an extraordinarily popular man.

In Illinois the women voted on a large scale for the first time. They had eight aldermanic candidates, all of whom were defeated. The women polled about 100,000 votes, or half of their entire registration. The men polled something over 200,000 votes, or slightly more than half their entire registration. The women's vote appears to have assisted in making a number of towns and small cities dry. One of the features of the election in Chicago was the repudiation of schemes for wholesale bonding.

In New York the people ordered a constitutional convention, but only one sixth of the vote came out. The result was overwhelmingly decisive in favor of the convention.

In Milwaukee the Socialist candidate for mayor was defeated by 5,000. It required a combination of all parties to accomplish this result, and the number of Socialists in Milwaukee appears to be increasing.

"SHORT PANTS" BASEBALL.

IF YOUR BOY at the age of 10 can't catch a good long fly, watch him! There is something abnormal about him. The competitive instinct, which is still the main spring of civilization, is not as strong in him as it ought to be.

The normal human being cherishes the ideals of his own natural associates. The boy of 10 whose heart is set first on earning money, is following ideals too old for his age. On the other hand, the boy of 10 who merely likes to play tag and tumble in the dirt, is not old enough for his age. At that period he should have emerged from the unorganized play of the kiddie age. He should have a desire to excel his own mates in the pursuits that their minds are best able to appreciate.

Every American boy ought to be encouraged by his parents to become a good ball player. The school teaches him valuable facts, and order under extraneous authority. The ball field teaches him alertness of thought, and order under his own individual self-control. In many lights the latter elements seem quite as important as the former.

The English bishops are cutting the word "obey" out of the marriage service, for they know the bride won't keep her word, even if she does promise to do so.

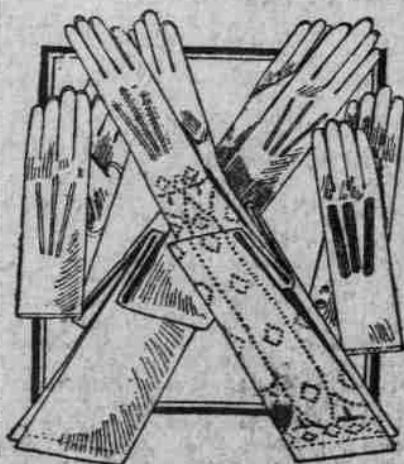
The men are not much interested in the style parade Easter, but most of them usually put on a clean collar.

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OPERATE TOMORROW ON KING OF SWEDEN

Stockholm, Sweden, April 8.—King Gustaf, of Sweden, and the surgeons in attendance have fixed tomorrow as the day on which the operation is to be performed on his majesty, who is suffering from an ulcer in the stomach.

Prof. Wilhelm Eleiner, the Heidelberg specialist, remains at the palace.

K. OF C. BOWLERS LOSE TO Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. all but evened up the series with the K. of C. when they took 2 out of 3 games from the Fraternal League champions last night at the Palace alley. A very large crowd was on hand to witness the match. They rooted hard for the Knights to win.

The Y. M. C. A. owes its victory to Taylor and Kelly, as both boys made very strong finishes by coming across when the pins were needed. Dondero, Fitzgerald and Willis also rolled in good form. The series now stands K. of C. won 4 and lost 2 and Y. M. C. A. won 2 and lost 4. The next match will be rolled at the Y. M. C. A. alleys next Tuesday. The scores:

Knights of Columbus.	
Musante	82 90 89—261
Jones	73 80 82—235
Regnery	89 84 88—261
Dondero	117 87 94—297
Fitzgerald	94 92 112—298

Y. M. C. A.	
Willis	108 89 89—286
Beardsley	87 81 82—250
Bolinder	82 79 103—264
Taylor	84 94 94—272
Kelly	100 91 96—287

Totals	
461	432 456—1350

Totals	
471	434 444—1349

ELECTRIFICATION WORKER'S DEATH IS FOUND ACCIDENTAL

Coroner Phelan today announced that he believed the death of David Horan, killed by an electric wire at Southport Monday was accidental. A close examination of all witnesses to the occurrence discloses that while he was aware the wire was charged he touched it without giving the signal to a companion to turn off the current.

A finding of accidental death will be filed.

Chided by her husband because she voted against saloons in the election at Aurora, Ill., Mrs. John Hargel, committed suicide.

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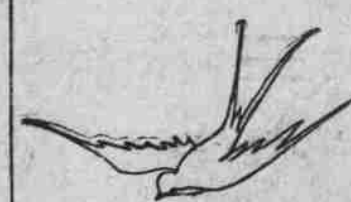
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The Souvenir of Bluebird China received such a welcome through Fair week that we are very glad that the stock pattern in the different pieces is sufficient to provide Breakfast and Luncheon Sets and also the articles required for dressing table.

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Vases.	25, 35, 50 and 95 cts
Teapots.	50 and 65 cts
Sugar and Cream Sets.	45 and 65 cts
Fruit Dishes.	95 cts
Fruit Plates.	30 cts
Trays.	20, 25, 50 and 95 cts
Salad Plates.	35 cts
Tea and Toast Plates.	95 cts
Marmalade Jars.	50 cts
Powder Boxes.	50 cts
Mayonnaise Sets.	50 cts
Flower Holders.	50 cts and \$2.50

Arranged on a center table in the China Store.

Jardinieres to hold Easter Plants

In Roma Ivory, Rookwood brown, and velvety Green Pottery, all sizes, 35, 50, and 75 cts, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.00.

Fern Dishes, 50 cts, 75, \$1.50 and \$2.75.

In the China Store.

Easter Fancies in Apparel

Maline Ruffs, most becoming of all frivolous neckwear, and very acceptable for the extra warmth given when worn with an open necked blouse. The ruff affords a decided protection and takes the place of fur.

\$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Lace Section.

Embroidered Organdie for Camisoles

An exceedingly dainty Easter gift. The lengths of Organdie are one and a quarter yards, just enough for a camisole, and there is little to do in the making. These are designed to wear under the sheer blouses so high in fashion's favor. 65 cts each.

Lace Section.

Fads in Easter Neckwear for Men

College colors in Ties—Yale, Princeton, Harvard, 50 cts.

Wide-end Four-in-hands, elegant silk, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Cheney Silks, soft and crushable, 50 cts.

Tango shades, Lavendar, Gray and Reseda.

Crepes and Heavy Silks.

Men's Wear Section.

Bonnets and Hats for Little Folks

White Milan and Tuscan Hats, pretty shapes, daintily trimmed.

Fancy Straws, Rough and Ready with simple trimmings.

White Hemps of fine quality with rosettes and small flowers.

Organdie Bonnets with silk linings.

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